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# SOVIETS SEIZE 7 SILESIA BASTIONS



**Time Out for a Laugh:** Both Marshal Joseph Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill enjoyed a joke together as the camera caught them during an intermission of the Big Three's Crimean Conference at Livadia Palace in Yalta.

## *Schneidemuehl Also Taken; U. S. Airmen Plaster Dresden*

LONDON, Feb. 14 (UP).—Red Army troops today captured seven major Nazi strongholds in German Silesia in a two-pronged drive on Berlin and Dresden and Berlin admitted tonight that the great city of Breslau, Germany's eighth largest, had been encircled.

Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's 1st White Russian Army today captured the Pomeranian rail and road hub of Schneidemuehl, where more than 12,000 German troops were killed or captured, Moscow announced tonight.

Moscow also announced that more than 12,000 prisoners were seized by the Red Army in Budapest, including the commander of the 1st Hungarian Army, making a total of 122,000 taken there.

Meanwhile, Marshal Ivan S. Konev's 1st Ukrainian Army today captured seven major strongholds in German Silesia in a two-pronged drive on Berlin and Dresden. By enemy admission, it smashed into Brandenburg province at a point 79 miles southeast of the Nazi capital and 66 miles from the chief city of Saxony.

[The U. S. Eighth Air Force hurled 2,250 heavy bombers and fighters against Germany today, concentrating on the big rail and industrial center of Dresden in another major blow in support of the Soviet armies some 70 miles from the refugee-crowded Saxon capital, it was announced in London today.

[Besides the assault of Dresden, other formations of the 1,350 American bombers and 900 fighters pounded the east German city of Chemnitz, the oft-bombed rail hub of Magdenburg and a six-span road bridge across the Rhine at Wesel in the Ruhr, chief route for supplying German forces facing the British offensive.]

### WEDGE THREATENS

Konev's army, which has covered half of the distance from Germany's shattered Oder river line to Dresden, surged forward unchecked across lower Silesia on a 160-mile front. His troops seized more than 200 towns and villages and more than 2,000 prisoners and 200 enemy planes.

Smashing to within five miles of a junction with Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's 1st White Russian Army which was hammering at Berlin's gates, Konev's troops were threatening to drive a wedge between Berlin and Dresden.

Along an arc extending 61 miles southeast of besieged Frankfurt-on-the-Oder on Berlin's eastern approaches, to a point 28 miles southeast of almost-encircled Breslau, Konev's tanks and infantry captured the towns of Neustadt, Neusalz, Freystadt, Sprottau, Golberg, Jauer and Strigau.

His troops converged on the rail and prisoner of war camp center at Sagan, threatened Breslau's last direct communications with the central Reich.

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## 3 GIs Rescued by Red Army Broadcast Home from Lublin

LONDON, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Lublin radio tonight broadcast messages to their families from three American soldiers, freed from German prisoner of war camps in the whirlwind Soviet advance.

The Americans, 2nd Lt. John M. Hammond, Jr., of Charlotte, N. C., William Lindeman of Little Rock, Iowa, and Sgt. Michael York of 92 4th Ave., New York City, were the first whose liberation had been announced by the Soviets.

The location of the prisons where the Americans were found was not disclosed. The Lublin broadcast said only that they

were among the Allied war prisoners recently liberated in the Soviet drive across Poland.

Hammond sent a message to his wife, advising her that he was in good health and had been liberated from the Germans by Soviet troops.

Lindeman sent the following message to his father in Little Rock: "I have been liberated from a German camp and am in Poland now. Greetings to the whole family and all my friends."

A similar message was sent by York to his wife in New York.

# Wallace Fight In House Today

By ADAM LAPIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Administration forces appeared confident today that they could win confirmation for the nomination of Henry Wallace as Secretary of Commerce as the Rules Committee voted an open rule for the George bill.

Chairman A. J. Sabath of the Rules Committee predicted that the George bill would pass the House before adjournment tomorrow, and without the amendment which would prevent Wallace from holding a seat on the Board of Import-Export Bank.

Failure of Republicans joined by "one or two Democrats," in Sabath's words, to force a special rule which would load the George bill down with amendments, or to recommit the bill to the Banking and Currency Committee, was a clearcut administration victory.

The rule will allow the introduction of amendments from the floor which are ruled germane. The House parliamentarian already has ruled the Import-Export amendment germane, and the main fight in the four-hour debate allowed will be on this amendment.

## SIX TO FOUR VOTE

Chairman Sabath told reporters that the rule was reported out by a vote of something like six to four. He said that "one or two Democrats" had voted with the Republicans on some of the amendments to the rule which were defeated.

As William M. Colmer (D-Miss.) was the only absentee, leaving seven Democrats and four Republicans, the executive session vote indicated that the Republicans held solid lines. And that the lines of the Democrats were more solid than is usual in the committee.

## NOT GERMANE

The Rules Committee's action means that two of the three amendments offered by Jesse P. Wolcott (R-Mich) ranking minority member of the Banking and Currency Committee, in simplified form will be considered germane. Beside the Import-Export amendment, which will not be germane in the complicated form Wolcott presented today, another will be in



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order, to have all corporations where 52 percent of the stock is owned by the government subject to audit by the Comptroller General.

Wolcott at the outset of his 75 minutes' testimony today said that the question of the nomination of Wallace and whether he would dominate the Export-Import Bank were "incidental." Then in his softest voice and most judicial manner he went right on:

"Many of us felt that the President might veer somewhat to the right and appease business and industry, without interfering with support from labor, some of us felt we had the right to expect this coordination of the different philosophies and the harmonizing of all these political and social differences."

But what did they get Wolcott asked. They got the nominations of Mr. Wallace, "a symbol of the Leftist movement," and Aubrey Williams, Rural Electrification, former National Youth Administration head whose nomination as administrator is being kicked around by another committee.

Chairman A. J. Sabath then scored the hit point of the day.

"Would you," he asked, "also consider as a leftist move the appointment of Stettinius, Clayton and so forth as Assistant Secretaries of State?"

Said the Republican who with Democratic Brent Spence, Chairman of the House Banking and Currency Committee, is expected to sponsor the Bretton Woods legislation in the House:

"I am addressing myself now principally to the Democratic members, you are going to have before you shortly the Bretton Woods Conference proposals. You also will have before you a move to increase the capital of the Export-Import Bank which is expected to implement the International Bank and Monetary Fund."

"I want to tell you gentlemen, that you are building up opposition to the Bretton Woods proposals if you inject the personality of Henry Wallace into the picture."

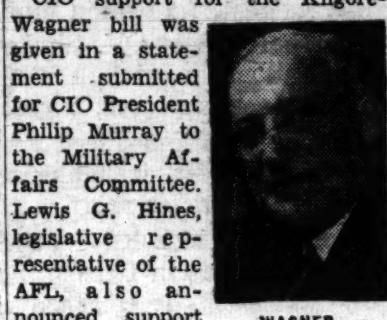
Daily Worker Washington Bureau

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would announce their support of the substitute within the next 24 hours, and there appeared to be substantial backing for it in the Senate Military Affairs Committee considering limited national service legislation. Kilgore is a member of the committee.

CIO support for the Kilgore-Wagner bill was given in a statement submitted for CIO President Philip Murray to the Military Affairs Committee. Lewis G. Hines, legislative representative of the AFL, also announced support of the measure.

Kilgore and Wagner said that Eric Johnston, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and Ira Mosher, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, have indicated their intention of supporting the new bill. Murray's statement, presented to the committee by Clinton S. Golden, said the Kilgore-Wagner bill "will effectively meet the current demand



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The seven member military commission found them guilty on three counts of sabotage.

As in all military court decisions, the sentences are subject to review by the commanding general, the War Department and finally by President Roosevelt.

The verdict was announced at Governor's Island where the men had been on trial for more than a week.

and Colepaugh were ordered returned to their "place of confinement."

It was presumed that a gallows will be erected at Fort Jay on Governor's Island.

The date of execution was not announced and as in previous cases, the hangings may be carried out before announcement is made.

# New Manpower Bill Gets Support of CIO and AFL

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Murray said the measure is so drafted as to improve coordination between the Office of War Mobilization and the war agencies under its jurisdiction.

## AFL STATEMENT

After denouncing the May Bill, Hines said the AFL would back the new substitute and was "willing to go to reasonable length to support anything enforceable and workable."

For the first time CIO and AFL leaders thus came out in favor of specific legislation to meet the manpower situation. Labor circles had previously been fearful of legislative action.

There appeared to be more unified support of labor, industry and prominent administration senators for the Kilgore-Wagner bill than any other proposal, and the substitute was given an excellent chance of passage.

Before this new move, there had been considerable doubt as to whether any bill would emerge from the legislative mill.

Kilgore and Wagner said in a statement that the issue was "not of compulsion versus non-compulsion, but of measures to promote the most effective utilization of manpower."

## TERMS OF BILL

The bill states the congressional policy that "every individual is obligated to serve the nation in that capacity for which he or she is best qualified."

While recognizing the principle of national service in even broader form than the May Bill, which applies to men between the ages of 18 to 45, the Kilgore-Wagner bill does not call for a draft of labor.

It does give the War Manpower Commission authority to prescribe employment ceilings and prohibit or regulate the hiring, rehiring and recruitment of workers.

Transportation of workers to new jobs is provided for, and seniority rights on the old job they have left are protected.

Labor-management cooperation is recognized more strongly than in any previous legislation.

The War Mobilization Director, James F. Byrnes, is general authority over WMC, and he is directed to consult with his Labor-Management Advisory Board.

In addition, WMC is directed to establish national, regional and local management-labor committees.

# Churchill Talks To Athens Rally

ATHENS, Feb. 14 (UP).—Prime Minister Winston Churchill, on his way home from the Big Three conference, told a large crowd of Athenians today: "I am proud of the part the British army has played in protecting this immortal city from violence and anarchy."

"A future lies before your country—a great future," Churchill said. "There has been much misunderstanding and ignorance in many parts of the world and there had been misunderstanding of issues."

"But now these matters are clearing up and all over the world there is coming a true understanding of the part Greece has played and will play in the future development of Europe."

"Let right prevail. Let party hatreds die. Let there be unity. Greece forever!"

Churchill spoke in English, and every few sentences an interpreter translated it.

Churchill was introduced by Archbishop Damaskinos, the regent. After the speech Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, who accompanied him, wished Greece greater happiness and greater prosperity.

# City Depts. Ask \$786,466,802

Estimates submitted by 109 city departments for the 1945-1946 municipal budget total \$786,466,802, Budget Director Thomas J. Patterson announced yesterday. This sum exceeds the current budget by \$49,054,765.

Patterson gave hopeful department heads little to be optimistic about. If the requested increases are allowed to stand, he said, a "substantial increase in the tax rate" would result. He promised the proposed budget figure would be "materially reduced."

The increase in the general fund, announced last week by Comptroller McGoldrick, was hailed as a good omen by Patterson. He stated, however, it is "regrettable" that some persons have jumped to the conclusion that this will make a substantial cut in the tax rate.

Addition problems, Patterson said, will require appropriation over and above this year's allowance.

# Malaria Kills 200,000 In Egypt in 2 Years

CAIRO, Feb. 14 (UP).—Some 200,000 peasants died during a malaria epidemic which raged through upper Egypt from 1942 to June, 1944, Health Minister Ibrahim Abdel Hadi Bey disclosed today. The high mortality was laid to undernourishment as a result of the poor supply system.

# Hearings on State FEPC Set for Tuesday; Seen Aimed to Stall Bill

By MAX GORDON

ALBANY, Feb. 14.—The public hearing on the permanent FEPC bill, decided upon by the Senate Finance Committee yesterday, will take place next Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Assembly Chamber here.

The Assembly, scheduled to debate the bill next Tuesday morning, postponed action until after the hearing, which will thus be a joint one. Previously, the Assembly Ways and Means Committee had reported the measure favorably by 11 to 3.

Thomas A. Murray, president of the State Federation of Labor, today took a position in favor of the bill.

Murray had previously been hedging, saying he wanted it extended to non-profit and religious groups as well as to private employers. He admitted he had received large numbers of phone calls from AFL leaders throughout the state.

The Commerce and Industry Association of New York sent a memorandum to every Senator and Assemblyman today detailing its objections. It suggested a few "modest" amendments, such as eliminating the clause which declares discrimination in employment to be a violation of civil rights, removal

of all powers and cutting out the penalty provision.

Thomas J. Watson, president of the International Business Machine Corp., who is listed as a member of the association's board of directors, had made a strong statement on behalf of the bill at a public hearing in New York in December.

This has strengthened the suspicion here that the business groups protesting against the measure do not speak for most of their affiliated members or even for some of their leaders.

Assemblyman Hulan E. Jack, Harlem Democrat, charged today that

## Davis Urges Drive For State FEPC Bill

City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., said yesterday that New York's postwar future depends upon adoption by the State Legislature of the Ives-Quinn bill to bar discrimination in employment because of race, creed or color.

He called on all citizens to urge their state senators and assemblymen to act for the measure's immediate adoption.

the action of Sen. Frederic R. Covert, Manhattan Republican, in moving for a public hearing at yesterday's Senate Finance Committee meeting, was designed to emasculate or kill the bill. He pointed out there have already been seven public hearings.

The hearing was decided chiefly because of the pressure of a handful of Chambers of Commerce and of Frank Columbus, legislative director of the Brotherhood of Enginemen and Firemen. This pressure was not counteracted by advocates of the bill.

There are reports that Senate GOP foes of the measure will attempt to force a party conference and bind all members to support emasculating amendments.

Eleven members of the Bronx legislative delegation, including two of the four Senators, placed themselves on record in favor of the bill without amendment, in a statement circulated by Assemblyman Leo Isaacson. The Senators are Paul A. Pino and Lowell H. Brown, both Republicans. The nine Assemblymen who signed are Fogarty, Fine, Wachtel, Gans, Peck, Bennett, Murphy, DePasquale, Banks, Lashin and Isaacson.

**An Editorial**

# The Big 3 Agreement on Poland

THE Crimea agreement on Poland is not simply a wise compromise; it is an agreement on the fundamental principle that the future of every European government must rest on the will of its people, the basic premise of the Atlantic Charter. In this sense, the Big Three made their decisions with the living participation of the Polish nation. And where is that nation? Is it in London or in Poland? When James Byrnes was asked about the probable reaction of the London Poles, he replied: "And how many are there in London?" It is a reply that should reecho through the land. The Polish people, who fought and bled at home, who are rebuilding their democracy, are inside of Poland. It is ridiculous to think that the policy of the great powers could be based on anything but this reality.

The territorial settlement with the Soviet republics is historically justified, as the N. Y. Times itself admitted yesterday. The areas claimed by the London exiles are non-Polish. The Curzon line was accepted by Britain and by the United States after the last war; it was Polish fascism that tore alien land and alien peoples away in

1920, and the only reason the Polish fascists got away with it was because the great powers of 1920 were bitterly anti-Soviet, a calamity which the world has acknowledged and is at last overcoming.

The Polish provisional government in Warsaw is a coalition of the four traditional democratic parties, of the same type that is ruling Yugoslavia, France, Belgium or Italy. These men made every attempt to broaden their composition in the past and have always been willing to do so. As for elections, the Warsaw government is pledged to them, on the basis of Poland's original democratic constitution of March, 1921. It will in fact be the first democratic election in 20 years.

#### WHO ARE THESE EMIGRES?

So what is this alarm from the emigres? Who are they anyway? They are not the men of the late Gen. Sikorski's regime. They do not include men like Mikolajczyk. They are based on an illegal constitution. They are fragments of fragments of a fragmented emigration, and it is preposterous that history should be unmade just so that they can turn back the clock to 1935.

The great leaders at Crimea did not address themselves to these emigres; then why should the world be concerned with their answer? In Finland, Social Democrats of the Arciszewski type are resigning from political life; in Bulgaria, men like Raczkiewicz are being shot as war criminals. By what justice should Poland be made to suffer the kind of leadership which every other European country, including Germany, will at last be freed of?

And who defends the emigres? Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, the "typhoid Mary" of American politics, who was happy to see Hitler established in Poland five years ago. Or Rep. Alvin Okonski, who proposed only a month ago that our troops withdraw from Europe, and let Hitler alone! But the Americans of Polish descent voted overwhelmingly for the President, and nobody must be allowed to misrepresent them. Nor should all other Americans be misled.

Let us finish with the ghosts of yesterday. The world has serious work to do. And so have the people of Poland, who are at last on the road to freedom and greatness.

## Pa. Lower House Lauds Crimea

By WALTER LOWENFELS

HARRISBURG, Feb. 14.—The Crimea conference decisions were acclaimed today by the State House of Representatives, and support pledged to the nonpartisan delegation to the San Francisco United Nations conference. The resolution, introduced by Democratic minority leader Andrews, was unanimously passed by the Republican-dominated House. However, a similar resolution, introduced into the Senate by Democratic minority leader John Dent, was blocked by leaders of the Pew-Grundy machine. Republican majority leader Weldon Heyburn objected to the unanimous consent the resolution needed for a vote, and it was sent to committee.

The belief that the Senate action reflected the sentiments of the defeatist group in control of the GOP was strengthened by the debate that followed. Republican leaders took the floor to defend a speech, rapidly becoming notorious, made by Gov. Martin in Pittsburgh on Lincoln's birthday, several hours after the Crimea Conference decisions had been announced. Martin called the Atlantic Charter a "publicity stunt" and bitterly attacked the President's conduct of the war and of international relations.

Sen. Elmer Holland, Pittsburgh Democrat, charged the GOP with weeping crocodile tears over the Polish government-in-exile, and said that Poland was now assured of a democracy that would be second to none in the world.

## Labor, Negro Groups Hail Crimea Results

Labor unions, mass organizations and political leaders continued yesterday to hail the decisions of the Big Three Crimean Conference and pledged in wires to President Roosevelt to do everything to help carry out the plan for a safe and sound postwar world.

Abram Flaxer, national president of the State, County and Municipal Workers, said the parley gives "further guarantees of the unconditional surrender of the enemy in the shortest possible time, as a result of the integration of general staff operations and its promise of attack in the north, south, east and west."

Wholehearted support for the agreement was pledged by the National Negro Congress in a wire from Thelma Dale, acting secretary. It expressed belief that the parley's decisions "increased confidence in the United Nations' early victory over Nazism, establishment of people's governments in Europe, and just solutions of other European problems."

The decisions of the conference raise the hopes of nations which have suffered untold hardships in the war, said the United Committee of South Slavic Americans. A statement signed by Zlatko Balokovic, president, and the Rev. Strahinja Maletich, executive secretary, said the recommendations for Yugoslavia guarantee a "better future for all south Slav peoples who in their struggle for liberation established the foundation for a new democratic Yugoslavia at the cost of tremendous sacrifice."

The partnership of the United Nations, said Lewis Merrill, president of the CIO office union, means

a partnership of all decent people for expanding production for employment, for security and peace in which the test will be to the degree it serves the common welfare."

## Teachers, Parents, Labor at Budget Hearing Urge Use of State Surplus

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 14.—Gov. Dewey's proposed 1945-46 budget was criticized today by spokesmen for teachers' groups, for parents, for Labor and Mayor Curtiss M. Frank of Yonkers, who joined to urge greater use of the surplus. A handful of "taxpayers" spokesmen asked for tax reduction.

Mayor Frank denied Gov. Dewey's contention that city finances are in good shape because of the reduction in the relief load. He cited Yonkers' need to pay off on bonds issued in the past for relief purposes. He also noted that the tax base of the cities, which is primarily real estate, has shrunk as a result of inability to improve properties.

Dr. Bella V. Dodd, for the State Committee of the Communist Political Association, showed that State aid to localities is \$37 million less in the proposed budget than six years ago. The cities' share in

shared taxes has declined from 64.9 percent in 1939 to 46.6 per cent in the new budget, Dr. Dodd revealed.

She opposed the 25 percent reduction in the State income tax which the Governor wants to continue.

She criticized Dewey's program on veterans, education, child care, mental institutions and juvenile delinquency, and attacked failure to handle price and farm problems.

John F. O'Donnell, counsel for the American Labor Party Legislative Committee, attacked the "private, pork-barrel budget" which provides three times as much for roads and highways as for schools, hospitals and social welfare. He asked proper treatment of veterans and a \$1,500 minimum and a \$500 cost of living bonus for state employees.

Others for the ALP were Abram Wittman of Buffalo, Prof. W. E. Wilcox of Cornell and John Maurillo, Syracuse CIO leader.

Harold Garrow, state CIO legisla-

tive representative, called for an adequate child care program.

Rose Russell, of the CIO Teachers Union, urged at least \$3,000 in state aid for each pupil-teacher unit, and more funds for nursery schools, kindergartens, after-school and community centers, guidance and medical services in the schools, and for immediate increase in teachers' salaries.

James V. King, district president of the State, County and Municipal Workers, backed the Steinberg-Quinn measure for a \$500 cost-of-living bonus for state employees.

Others heard were spokesmen for the State Teachers Association, the State School Boards Association, the State Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Joint Committee of Teachers' Organizations, the High School Teachers Association, the State Federation of Teachers (AFL), the United Parents Association, the Committee for the Care of Children in Wartime, and the Bronx River Child Care Center.

His Canadian, British, Scottish and Welsh troops appeared on the verge of turning the Nazis' line between the Maas (Meuse) and the Rhine following their breakthrough at Kleve.

A force of Scots was driving south from Gennep along the east bank of the Maas, apparently headed for Afferden and Bergen, five and seven miles away, where crossing of the Maas lead behind the Goch-Calcar line.

Montgomery's troops were fighting through deep mud. Along the Rhine, in the north, Canadians blew dikes holding the Spoy canal to counteract German destruction of the canal's lock gates, and floodwaters in this area were roof-high. Other floods were inundating roads southeast of Kleve. The Maas rose nearly a foot.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army troops in the Echternach area exploited their double breakthrough of the Siegfried Line by sweeping a mile northeast of Echternach and two and one half miles north of Bollendorf, which extended their bridgehead to a width of almost 11 miles and a depth of three miles.

PARIS, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Canadian First Army sent seven spearheads into German defenses around Kleve today, fighting into or through six towns, while swarms of planes destroyed German transport and pounded enemy reinforcements.

Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's troops rolled up maximum gains of two



Prior to their current offensive into Germany's Reichswald forest, Canadian and British infantrymen are shown jam-packed on their tanks, awaiting the word to attack.

miles in drives aimed at the hubs of Goch, Udem and Calcar and at the major Rhine ferry crossing at Emmerich.

Allied tactical planes flew 7,000 sorties.

Montgomery massed his artillery to shatter enemy counter-attacks and troop concentrations.

# London Parley Prepares Plan for World Body

## Lombardo Hits AFL Disruption, Kuznetsov Answers IFTU Chief

LONDON, Feb. 14 (UP).—Delegates to the world trade union conference, after lengthy discussion, today instructed a committee to draw up a blueprint for an entirely new international labor federation with room for everybody, including the American Federation of Labor. The 240 delegates, representing trade unions from all parts of the world, agreed to end the discussion and turn to the subject of labor's "immediate demands" in the post-war.

Indications were that the American, Soviet, Latin American and French delegates had convinced an overwhelming majority that a brand new international labor organization should be established, as proposed by Sidney Hillman of the CIO.

Such a new organization would replace the old "Amsterdam International."

### RAPS AFL LINE

The AFL was the subject of sharp criticism in an address today by Vicente Lombardo Toledano, Mexican delegate, who attacked the Federation as "the most disruptive force on the American Continent." He urged the conference not to delay forming a new worldwide organization in the hope of placating the AFL leaders.

Toledano said that formation of a new international was a matter for immediate action because of the need for organized labor to meet postwar problems of employment, wages, working conditions and union solidarity.

Toledano opposed the plan submitted by Sir Walter Citrine, head of the British trade union movement and president of the old International Federation of Trade Unions. Citrine had submitted a compromise, calling for a committee to study the advisability of replacing the IFTU with a new federation.

Toledano asserted that the proposal was designed to bring about adjournment of the present congress with no concrete accomplishments.

### SOVIET DELEGATE

#### CRITICAL OF IFTU

#### Wireless to the Daily Worker

#### By GEORGE SINFIELD

LONDON, Feb. 14.—A sharp interchange between Walter Schevenels, secretary of the International Federation of Trade Unions (IFTU), and Vassili Kuznetsov, head of the Soviet delegation, highlighted yesterday's world labor conference discussion on the formation of a new world trade union international.

Later in the session, Will Lawther, president of the British Miners Federation, endorsed proposals made by Sidney Hillman, CIO delegate, for a new all-inclusive world labor international. He was the first important British spokesman at the conference to back the Hillman plan.

"This conference sent greetings to

### CIO to Broadcast Talks From London

*The CIO broadcast over the Blue Network next Saturday at 6:45 EWT will feature a special report via BBC of American labor delegates attending the world labor conference in London.*

*Speaking from London will be R. J. Thomas, president of the United Auto Workers; John Green, president of the Marine and Shipbuilding Workers; Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, and James B. Carey, CIO secretary.*

the Big Three on the successful results of the Crimea conference," he said. "If countries whose interest were until a few years ago regarded as diverse could agree as they have done in the Crimea, why couldn't unions do likewise? The only obstacle in our way is that of tradition and it must be overcome."

Schevenels opposed Hillman's proposals and tried to defend IFTU failures to function effectively in the past. He sneered at Hillman's appeals for unity, calling them "mystical."

"Hillman eloquently expounded the mystical appeal which unity makes to workers in all lands.

"Hillman evidently believes that appealing on a common program of

action could be the basis of unity. Apart from agreement on the need to defeat Nazism and uproot fascist ideology, the conference has not yet gone very far in formulating trade union objectives.

"On one point, Hillman made up his mind: the IFTU must disappear. He advanced two reasons for this: it was unable to stop fascism from leading the world into war and it was unable to readjust its organization to achieve a broad united international.

"There are still great differences relating to the aims and objectives in trade union work itself. Why, for example, are the Soviet trade unions not associated with the International Labor Organization? If that question could be answered, one would see the character of some of the difficulties which would face the formation of a new international."

#### KUZNETSOV REPLIES

He was given a direct answer by Kuznetsov.

If the governments of the United Nations could agree at the historic Crimea conference, it should not be difficult for workers to arrive at a common policy, said the Soviet leader.

"Years of war have radically changed conditions and political features in various countries," he said. "Years of war have changed methods of work in trade unions."

"Under German occupation, active trade union members took a leading part in underground work against the enemy."

The democratic solidarity of the workers has grown stronger in the fight against fascism, Kuznetsov said and in the spite of different traditions, workers in all lands strive for lasting unity.

"Schevenels asks why the So-



At London parley, CIO leader Sidney Hillman (1) talks things over with Sir Walter Citrine, British Trades Union Congress secretary.

viet trade unions are not in the International Labor Office," he continued. "It seems a very strange question. Everybody knows the answer except Mr. Schevenels. He wishes us to discuss this and leave more important problems untouched."

#### IFTU AND SOVIETS

Kuznetsov said that he did not want to go into the history of the League of Nations and the ILO in relation to the Soviet Union but everyone knew that political reasons were at the bottom of Soviet exclusion from the IFTU.

He put this question direct to Schevenels:

"Why in the last 25 years did the IFTU not open its doors to the Soviet trade unions?"

Kuznetsov said he believed that Hillman had stressed the key points covering the form the new world organization should take.

"Hillman's speech expressed not only a mystical desire for unity, as Schevenels suggested," he said, "but outlined a real program for achieving it. The present world labor conference should agree to

call at the earliest possible date a world trade union congress. Projects regarding the constitution of the new trade union movement can be worked out by a temporary executive."

A. Rabinowitz, delegate of the Jewish Federation of Labor, said that the Jewish people, first victims of the Nazis, were therefore interested in security and world unity which would make impossible the recurrence of war and oppression.

Strife among labor organizations was one of the major reasons why Hitler came to power, he said, and that was why organizations attached so much importance to this item on the agenda.

Ernest Thornton of the Australian Council of Trade Union, supporting Hillman's proposals, noted conference approval of Big Three decisions.

"The unions cannot confine themselves to sitting back and approving," he said.

Leaders of the United Nations will meet again, he said, and their decisions will be even better than those of the Crimea if the world trade union international is functioning.

#### SWEDISH UNIONIST

J. B. Annam of the Gold Coast (Africa) Railwaymen Civil Service and Technical Workers said that the question of a world labor federation was the core of the deliberations of the conference.

Lindberg of the Central organization of Swedish trade unions, said that they were not against formation of a new international, but they disagreed with some delegates who seemed to think it would be an entirely new body. The international must obviously be made out of material that is at hand and must embrace unions which had formed part of the existing Labor and Socialist International, he said.

T. A. Bankole, president of the Nigerian Trade Union Congress, R. A. Khedgikar of the All India Trades Union Congress and A. Kosina of Czechoslovakia also supported Hillman's position.

G. Lynch of the Irish Trade Union Congress, K. Nordahl, Norway, and Jay Conroy of the Canadian Congress of Labor, supported the proposals put forward by Sir Walter Citrine.

## Valentine Promises Probe Of Police Attack on Negro

"A case of outright discrimination and assault" upon a Negro businessman by a police officer was protested by the North Shore Inter-racial and Interfaith Committee of Queens, it was learned yesterday.

In a letter to Capt. Goldberg of 110th precinct, Esther Shulman, acting secretary of the committee, asked for an immediate investigation.

Eugene Gardner, who conducts a business at 3506 103 St., Corona, was attacked Feb. 9 by a policeman, shield No. 15406, who attempted to arrest him after a woman complained that Gardner's son had had a fight with her son over a sled. The policeman stopped after an officer in a radio car told him to desist.

In answer to a letter from Gardner, Commissioner Valentine promised an investigation.

## Cacchione Asks Mayor for Fare Hearings

Mayor LaGuardia was called upon yesterday by Councilman Peter V. Cacchione to appoint a representative committee of labor, civic, small and big business and real estate interests to make a thorough study of the transit problem in New York City.

If some solution is to be proposed, said Cacchione in his letter, it should not be made by a self-constituted committee like the Citizens Transit Committee, which represents the real estate interests. The Communist Councilman also urged a public hearing on the matter.

His full letter follows:

"I notice with



keen interest your statement made last Sunday with reference to the transit situation in our city. All decent, sensible people in the city are aware that there is a transit problem which requires solution.

"However, I thoroughly disagree with the proposal of the Citizens Transit Committee headed by Mr. Paul Windels. His proposal to establish a Transit Authority, is undemocratic and its main purpose is to load the entire responsibility on subway maintenance, operation and expense on the backs of the subway riders with the object of having taxes reduced on the big real estate holdings of individuals

and corporations that this committee represents.

"I do not at this time wish to enter into any controversy as to whether real estate taxes in this city are too high. But I do object to the motives and methods of this committee.

#### HEARINGS URGED

"I agree with you that there are at least two schools of thought in regard to the operation of the transit lines. It seems to me that some opportunity should be made available for public hearings of the different points of view so that a recommendation could be arrived at which would represent the view of a real cross section of the city's population.

"For that reason I would suggest

that you appoint a representative committee composed of labor, civic, business, big and small, and the real estate interests to make a thorough study of the situation, and after such a study to report its findings and recommendations. Full opportunity should be offered by this committee to all groups and individuals to present their points of view and proposals orally and in writing.

"Transit, as everybody agrees, is today one of the most vital services of the city. No decision of far-reaching importance on this subject should be made without full deliberation of all factors involved. If some solution is to be presented it should not be in a unilateral manner by a self-constituted com-

mittee representing narrow interests only, but should be submitted by the city administration itself after the kind of consideration I herewith propose and which would then have the respect and support of the bulk of the city's population."

#### Consumer Council To Meet Monday

Community organization will be discussed by the New York City Consumer Council's regular monthly membership meeting Monday, Feb. 19 at the Women's Trade Union League, 24 Lexington Ave.

The Consumer Council is distributing thousands of leaflets explaining the meat situation.

# 'Forward' Switches to More 'Cautious' Line Against Crimea

By GEORGE MORRIS

(See column on Page 7)

Leaders of New York's Social Democrats were caught a bit off guard when the Crimea decisions were announced, but they are quickly formulating their line of opposition and hunting for loopholes.

On the third day after the big story broke, comment reported by the United Press, Associated Press must have brought some unwelcome reactions to the Forward. An editorial yesterday, its first, discovered that the decisions weren't so bad after all, and that Stalin had to "give in" on a good many matters.

The alarm over plans to "destroy Germany" was over and the exact opposite was quoted from the communiqué of the Big Three. But the Forward then proceeded, in its traditional manner, to direct its real artillery against the conference results. On the same page its leading

A close similarity between those headlines and the Berlin radio writers, L. Fogelman and Zivion, at-

tempted to confuse the issues and develop doubt on the decisions.

## PREPARED ATTACK

"With respect to Stalin," wrote Zivion, "I knew before that he will get what he wants." He conceded that the "first impression" of the conference was a "good one," but added, "perhaps later when I get the full conference report, I'll find what there is to look for."

Zivion disputed the wide opinion that the conference showed unity. Yes, he conceded, there was military unity. "They all hate Hitler equally," and it is "easier to make war than to make peace."

"But when it came to the peace questions," he added, "the interests of the Big Three were far from the same."

Fogelman was even more artful in weaving the suggestion that a "basis" for resumption of sniping would yet be found.

"The Crimea conference, as we see," wrote Fogelman, "gives an impression that somewhat of a unity has been achieved...." But he continued, after recalling that Teheran was distasteful to his crowd, "the difference between the two conferences in decisions and spirit, is not so sharp and not so apparent that we should become too optimistic or too enthusiastic about it."

The Forward writer must have had in view the surge of enthusiasm that has been running through the garment shops since the Big Three conference results became known.

The more "delicately" put approach was apparently prompted by several considerations. The general acclaim even from the President's opponents, must have had some effect. Also, the Forward in the Feb. 13 issue, found itself openly in the same bed with not only the Nazis in Berlin, but also with most reactionary, pro-fascist and anti-Semitic circles of Poles in the United States. Nowy Swiat the reactionary Polish paper here yesterday called upon its followers to "gird for a fight" against the decisions. A statement printed in the Polish paper by the reactionary leaders of the Polish American Congress, denounced Churchill and Roosevelt for "abandoning" the Polish people in favor of "the puppets of the Soviets" and "quislings and traitors."

Word from London that Jan Stanczyk, of the Polish Trade Union Center in Exile at London, had issued a statement in favor of a new labor international as proposed at the World Trade Union Conference there, must have also had some effect. The Social Democrats here made much of Stanczyk when he was in America, for their anti-Soviet purposes.

Finally, the high praise of the Crimea decision in the New York Post, gave the Forward managers unquestioned evidence that they were, indeed, left holding the empty Social Democratic bag on Crimea.

# Chrysler Pact Ratified; UAW Wins Points

By HARRY FAINARU

DETROIT, Feb. 14.—The CIO United Auto Workers has reached a final agreement with the Chrysler Corp. without recourse to the War Labor Board, and the contract has been ratified by an overwhelming majority of the 105,000 workers it

Forge, 47; Chicago-Dodge, 274; Chrysler Corp.-Highland Park, 490; DeSoto plant, 227; Chrysler-Port Huron, 375; Plymouth, 51; Chrysler Tank Arsenal, 833; Chrysler-New Castle, 371; Chrysler-Evansville, Ind., 705; Chrysler-Kokomo, Ind., 685; and Chrysler-Warren plant, Detroit.

Chrysler withdrew its insistence that time used by stewards to settle grievances be paid for by the union. The company will continue to pay as in the past.

The management also withdrew its proposal to employ veterans. Only four Negroes and women were discharged in exchange.

Instead, management agreed to accept government directives on this matter.

The union won out also on the question of transfers. The corporation sought a free hand, but finally agreed not to make any transfers without union consent.

Another significant gain for the workers is that the umpire is given the right to rule on discharges, discipline and like cases.

Heretofore, the umpire could rule only on the immediate act without altering it, without taking into account the background of the person involved.

Locals covered by the contract are: Chrysler, 7; Dodge-Main, 3; Dodge Truck, 140; Dodge Bros.-

cal 114, were renewed.

Of these only Local 227 failed to ratify. Approval was withheld because the contract did not provide eight hours pay for 7½ hours work on a two-shift working day, as it applies to the DeSoto plant here. This schedule prevails only where there are three shifts. Union representatives, who had withdrawn this demand during the final phase of negotiations, contend that such procedure in the two-shift plants would create confusion. Local 227 took its case to the War Labor Board, where its demand was rejected.

A new contract covering the salaried engineers was negotiated by Local 412, and contracts with

Chrysler Office Workers, Local 889

and Plant Protection Workers, Local 114, were renewed.

## Pocketbook Wage Cut Stands, Says WLB But Grants Hearing

The Regional War Labor Board dissented from the refusal to postpone the effective date of the wage cut.

"The CIO members argue," said Hawley, "that if there is sufficient prima facie evidence to warrant the appointment of a division to investigate the possibility of (wage) bracket revisions, then the board should in all logic withhold whatever action it took in the past until a final determination is made."

The WLB based its wage-cut order on charges that 600 of 4,000 workers employed by 400 pocketbook firms were being paid wages in excess of maximum legal rates set last August.

Ossip Walinsky, head of the pocketbook union, said he was appealing the wage rollback decision to Washington.

## Boston Rally to Mark Polish Liberation

BOSTON, Feb. 14.—The American Slav Committee of Greater Boston called upon all liberty-loving people to join the celebration of the liberation of Poland on Sunday, Feb. 18, 2:30 p.m., at Jordan Hall, corner Huntington Avenue and Gainsboro Street. Leo Krzycki, president of the American Slav Congress and the American Polish Labor Council, will address the audience on "The Present and Future of the New Poland." Joseph Salerno, Massachusetts state president of the CIO, and others will speak.

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## The April 25 Conference

THE Crimea agreement, as we declared in yesterday's editorial, must be taken as a whole, and every line of it stands out as a historic advance for the United Nations. But when we begin to analyze separate phases, the decision to form a world organization at the April 25 conference is truly outstanding.

This means that the United Nations will have been formally transformed from a wartime coalition into a long-range institution to guide the development of world politics. The early date signifies that the organization will exist before the war itself is concluded. The peoples of the world will be certain that the victors of this war will remain united; and the Axis nations will be prevented from plunging the world into a third catastrophe.

Obviously, what was done at the Crimea conference flows from the 90 percent agreement of the two Dumbarton Oaks meetings; and the remaining 10 percent differences have now been eliminated. As soon as China and France are informed of the voting procedures in the Security Council of the new organization, the procedures will be made public. But the mere fact that the Big Three have agreed shows that they expect to remain united, and expect the new world organization to function.

The President has therefore nominated the American delegation, and we believe the nation will concur in his admirable choices. Cordell Hull, former Secretary of State, is certainly a wise nominee; so is Mr. Stettinius, his successor. The heads of the foreign relations committees in the Senate and House are included. And the three Republicans, apart from Miss Gildersleeve, indicate that the President is determined to extend national unity on behalf of world peace as best he can. Mr. Roosevelt is avoiding Woodrow Wilson's mistakes; and he is certainly placing the issue on a nonpartisan basis. The Republicans assured us in the last campaign that they too wished to place the Dumbarton Oaks plan above politics. They now have their opportunity.

Sen. Arthur Vandenberg's position is exceptionally interesting. He had come forward as a chief spokesman for delaying and crippling Dumbarton Oaks. He attempted to pose the terms of the peace against the world organization; he wished to use the organization to undo the practical decisions of the wartime coalition. Vandenberg has not yet accepted the President's invitation; if he does, he will be bound to contribute to this nonpartisan venture. If he doesn't, all his own past professions will stand exposed before the country.

In the next weeks, a great educational campaign on the Dumbarton Oaks plan is necessary, a merciless criticism of all those who wish to cripple it with reservations, who take a narrow, partisan attitude. The labor movement in particular must take the lead, explain the plan and rouse universal support for it.

## End Coudert's Filibuster

OUR Empire State is in danger of being disgraced by the defeat of the Ives-Quinn anti-discrimination bill. State Senator Frederic Coudert of red-baiting infamy has now manipulated new delays.

Hearings are what Coudert has asked for. The device may have been considered pretty slick, in that it raises the question: "Who can object to public hearings?" But every champion of democratic rights will object in this case, because this maneuver is only a cheap continuation of Thomas E. Dewey's dilatory tactics against anti-discrimination legislation.

Dewey originally appointed a committee on this subject and exhaustive investigations were held under its auspices. When that group recommended legislation, Dewey suddenly discovered he wanted more "investigation" and appointed a new committee. Hearings were then held all over the state, in addition to the many hearings and discussions on that matter that had been held before. Coudert's hypocritical request for still more hearings is in effect a filibuster to kill the bill.

What has Gov. Dewey to say about this farce tragedy at Albany? He has been ballyhooed over the land as an executive of the first class, who knows how to get things done. Why doesn't he get something done in this case? A growing suspicion is aroused that he doesn't want anything done.

But the people want action. That was recorded splendidly in the unanimous vote by the City Council on Councilman Ben Davis' resolution favoring the legislation. More of such strong expressions will have to come from the people and their organizations, insisting that there be an end to delay in Albany.

## KNOCKED OFF HIS BASE



—They're Saying in Washington—

## Congress and Crimea

By Adam Lapin —

**WASHINGTON** WHILE the news tickers of the world were pounding out the text of the Big Three agreement, the United States Senate was busy talking about a dog.

This was not the fault of most of the Senate, but a handful of die-hard Republicans led by Senator Harlan Bushfield of South Dakota. They thought it would be a good idea to heckle the President by opposing the promotion of his son, Col. Elliott Roosevelt, to brigadier general. And so Bushfield made impassioned speeches about the "A" priority given to Elliott's dog, Blaze.

The House was engaged in a harmful diversion, even though it was started by Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi. Rankin protested the present usage of referring to a woman member of the House as "the gentlewoman from Massachusetts" or the "gentlewoman from New Jersey." He thought it ought to be "the lady from Massachusetts." After a prolonged discussion, majority leader John McCormack suggested by way of compromise that congressmen be free to use whichever form of address they preferred.

A few hours later GOP House leader Joe Martin was making a Lincoln day speech in West Virginia. His principal comment on the Big Three conference was that representatives of Congress should have been present.

For the most part Martin confined himself to the GOP vendetta against confirmation of Henry Wallace and Aubrey Williams. "A house divided itself cannot stand," Martin declaimed. America cannot remain free, half Socialistic and half a representative republic."

I don't mean to belittle Congress by citing these incidents. Actually the response to the historic Big Three agreement was overwhelmingly favorable. When the debate on Blaze was over, the text of the joint statement was read on the floor of the Senate and enthusiastically acclaimed both by majority leader Alben

Barkley and minority leader Wallace White.

### Cissy Moans

#### In Print

Cissy Patterson's Washington Times-Herald moaned in black headlines:

"The 'Big Three' give half of Poland to Stalin."

By and large there was surprising little sniping criticism in Congress and in most of the press.

But now the chips are down. The time for kidding around is over. The foundations for a stable peace have been definitely established. And the responsibilities of Congress in carrying out the agreement of Yalta are enormous.

The Senate will be expected to act on the Dumbarton Oaks agreement shortly after the April 25 United Nations conference in San Francisco. The Bretton Woods agreement will come up earlier, possibly within the next couple of weeks.

What Congress does on these two agreements now becomes crucial for the peace of the world. It is fantastic now to grumble that we do not know the intentions of our allies, or that they are taking unilateral actions. The only important question mark left is the Congress of the United States.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan has already outlined the main lines of attack on the Yalta conference. After a few honed words of praise for what had been accomplished, he raised the question of possible opposition to the new voting arrangement in the world security organization adopted by the Big

Three. And ever so mildly at first, he complained that the agreement on Poland was too "vague."

### Amendments That Kill

The opponents of Bretton Woods and Dumbarton Oaks will give all the lip service you can ask to these agreements. They will simply suggest a few little amendments, a few trifling reservations. The more direct ideological attack on all that was done at Yalta will be inspired by the reactionary Polish groups here and in London who have become perhaps the single greatest menace to United Nations unity.

Rep. Okonski spoke for these groups in his bitter attack on the conference.

It is too much to hope that the boys who think it is fine sport to make great issues of the peripatetic of Blaze or Fala will stop to realize that they are endangering the peace of the world with their partisan attacks on the President. But for everyone else in Congress the need for unity must transcend everything else.

Even Administration forces in Congress have been split too many times at this session. The latest example is the President's proposal for National Service which has found some of the President's staunchest supporters divided among themselves. Relatively minor differences must no longer be magnified. Petty bickering must be stamped out. The big thing on which everything else now depends is the firm commitment of Congress to the program of the Crimea Conference.

## —Worth Repeating—

RANKIN'S RANTING receives critical attention in the Chicago Sun of Feb. 9, in which it is suggested that the House should call a halt to such diatribes and it is said: It is not unusual for Representative Rankin, the Mississippi witchburner, to spout anti-Semitic utterances on the House. But it is a disgrace to the House that it lets these utterances go unchallenged...

A simple resolution to expunge such remarks from the record would both express the sentiments of the House and effectively condemn, if not silence, the Congressman from Mississippi. What are the members of the House waiting for?

MARSHAL ZHUKOV is praised as one of the greatest soldiers of the war by Richard Lauterbach in the current issue of Life Magazine, in which he says: His record of military achievement is without parallel in modern war. No single counterpart for Zhukov can be found in either the Allied or Axis armies. His role can best be comprehended if one imagines an individual officer simultaneously holding the responsibility of General Marshall, General Eisenhower and General Bradley. For the last four years he has shuttled between the Kremlin and every battlefield of the Russian front, alternately planning grand strategy and commanding individual armies and groups of armies in the front lines.

# Today's Guest Column

THIS Negro History Week has coincided with great and historic events which mark a new stage in the upward march of all humanity. But it is not the mere coincidence in time that is important. As Doxey Wilkeson pointed out so forcefully in his column on Monday, the basic lesson of the Negro people's history is that their progress and the progress of the nation as a whole have been and are interdependent. The same is true of the liberation struggle of all colonial and oppressed peoples and the direction of general international economic and political developments.

Thus it is that this Negro History Week had special significance in view of the Allied military coordination now crushing the Nazi forces in a vise of steel, in view of the agreements reached at the Big Three Conference in the Crimea, and, finally, in view of the progress being made toward genuine international labor unity at the World Labor Conference in London.

The annihilation of fascism and the continued effective functioning of the United Nations coalition, strengthened by a united world labor movement, are the essential preconditions for what Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin defined as "a secure and lasting peace which will, in the words of the Atlantic Charter, afford assurance that all the men



by Alphaeus Hunton

in all the lands may live out their lives in freedom from fear and want."

IT IS interesting and pertinent to compare these present world developments, as they affect the Negro here and abroad, with events of a century ago when the struggle between slavery and advancing industrialism gripped the world and especially America.

England, the most industrially developed nation at that time, had been the first to abolish slavery, setting the Negroes free in its West Indian colonies in 1833. The Abolitionist forces in America, looked to England for help in their struggle, and they received much practical support, financial and otherwise. It is well known what a decisive role was played by British labor in its support of Lincoln and the North during the Civil War, counteracting the pro-slavery influence and aims of the British Tories.

Some interesting sidelights on the trans-Atlantic unity of democratic forces in that period are provided in the autobiography of the great Negro leader, Frederick Douglass. He tells with what immense enthusiasm he was received in England by great British anti-slavery leaders like Thomas Clarkson and by the people in general who heard his appeals during his first visit abroad just a hundred years ago.

To mention just one incident, there was

## Crimea Conference Heightens Role of Negro History Week

the time when the great early Victorian champion of Irish freedom, Daniel O'Connell, introduced Douglass at a great public meeting as the "Black O'Connell of the United States." Said O'Connell, "My sympathy is not confined to the narrow limits of my own green Ireland; my spirit walks abroad upon sea and land, and wherever there is oppression I hate the oppressor, and wherever the tyrant rears his head I will deal my bolts upon it, and wherever there is sorrow and suffering, there is my spirit to succor and relieve."

For the rest of this interesting and inspiring story of Douglass' experiences in England, I urge you to read the autobiography for yourself. The point I set out to illustrate was that a century ago, as today, the Negro's progress was linked with the progress of other peoples—receiving stimulus from and giving stimulus to democratic movements abroad. As Frederick Douglass himself said back in 1880, "The cause of human liberty is one the world over."

MANY others, before and since Douglass, have said something like that, but their voices could not be heard above the clamor and clash of selfish interests. There are selfish interests still among us today, here and abroad; but never before has the world so needed and demanded cooperation for the common good. In other words, never before have the Negro and other oppressed peoples had such strong manifold allies as today.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Wants Housewives Drafted by U.S.

Manhattan

Editor, Daily Worker:

A housewife wrote her Senators, as follows:

I urge you to support the Civilian Draft, including housewives with or without children.

In the ranks of the housewives of America are to be found women of many professions and assorted talents.

If in conjunction with such a measure appropriate and sufficient services at reasonable rates were set up, such as food kitchens, day nurseries, more laundries, more after-school programs for the school age children, millions of housewives would welcome the opportunity to contribute time and energy to the winning of this war.

Those women who today man the machines of industry and perform the 'marvel of production' acclaimed by every patriotic American have done it in spite of overwhelming difficulties. She too would welcome an organized effort in this direction.

I recommend to the Manpower Commission the American housewife—she, too, is a good soldier.

HOUSEWIFE.

Hits Opposition to Venereal Disease Curbs

Bronx

Editor, Daily Worker:

The public will have to be aroused to the brakes which are being put on effective medical work against venereal disease. Col. Thomas Turner, director of the Civil Public Health Division of the Preventive Medicine Service, Office of the Army Surgeon General, has hit the whole business on the head. In a talk at the Hotel Pennsylvania on Feb. 7, Col. (and doctor) Turner said: "Some would place a blackout on information concerning venereal disease, but I believe that if anything, we need more information about venereal disease, rather than less."

It seems inconceivable that many old-time Socialist-minded garment workers on whom Dubinsky depends for support should not realize where their union is heading. They must be realizing that the end of that road is isolation from world labor and from the general progressive stream.

True, Dubinsky has built up a machine that throttles the union's life, and over the years members have developed a belief that there is no use doing anything beyond paying dues and taxes. But things are reaching a point that should arouse the indignation of even a passive member.

With the inevitable conditions created by war, those are words of wisdom. And yet, how many are heeding them and helping in the fight for intelligent medical handling of this problem?

JOHN MILLER.

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Manhattan

Editor, Daily Worker:

Is it not true that some of our news agencies refuse membership to more than one language-newspaper in the same locality? Is it not true that officials and semi-officials use their wide influence in promoting their friends' publications through their newspaper column, the radio and the rostrum?

I believe that before proclaiming that we have the freest press in the world we should eliminate practices like the ones mentioned above which harm enormously the prestige of the American press. Let our news agencies open their doors to any responsible publishers and let us preclude official or semi-official interference in promoting periodicals. Then we will be in a better position to champion our rights among other nations.

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## Views On Labor News

A DAY after the decisions of the Crimea Conference were made public, I called the office of President David Dubinsky, of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, for comment but was repeatedly told that he was out, and everybody else was out, and there was no comment, and no one knew when, and if, he or anybody else, would be available.

It appeared to me that comment was important from the man who wields big influence within the AFL on questions of international policy, especially the questions that were settled at Yalta. In the absence of any indication that comment would be available, I turned to the "Forward," Jewish daily mouthpiece of the forces led by Dubinsky. The main headline in two eight-column lines said: "Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin United on Plans to Destroy Germany." Then followed the subheads: "Germany Condemned to Death, Say Leaders of Three countries." And another two column head read: "Roosevelt and Churchill Give In to Stalin on Lublin Regime."

I then turned to the Daily papers on what the Nazi radios were blaring out. "Germany should be smashed with brutal force," screamed one Nazi broadcast. Germans will be "pressed into slave labor for the foreign tyrants." Both the Forward headline writers and Herr Goebbels' broadcasters chose to ignore the section of the Crimea com-



by George Morris

munique which gives assurance that "it is not our purpose to destroy the people of Germany" but to destroy every vestige of Nazism and its perpetrators.

A day earlier we read reports from Miami of William Green's statements which also sounded more like the Nazi alarm over "slavery" and that sort of nonsense. I am not saying that the Forward, Dubinsky or Green favor fascism, but it seems that every time something big happens in this world their expressions and attitudes coincide more with the views of Berlin than with the views of the leaders of the democratic world.

THIS column has often pointed out how the trend among the Social-Democrats leads objectively to support of fascism. They have lost their mass base almost everywhere. One of the few spots where they still retain some traditional support is in New York. That is why this city is a haven for discredited Social-Democrat emigres from many parts of Europe who are enjoying both Dubinsky's hospitality and the money which ILGWU members are donating for what they are told are good causes. I suppose the dispossessed landlords of the London Polish "government" will soon join the fraternity here, as will "general" Mikhailovitch and his friends. Dubinsky will certainly not turn them down after all he staked on their fortunes.

Looking over the score card at Yalta, it appears that Dubinsky guessed wrong on

## Dubinsky Guessed Wrong On Every Question

every problem. He fought for the London Poles with all the viciousness at his command. He stuck to that collaborator of the Nazis in Yugoslavia. He opposed Dumbarton Oaks on most major aspects. He called for a peace without reparations and the drastic measures necessary to doom fascism forever. Above all, Dubinsky, under the guidance of his master, Raphael Abramowitch, has come all-out for a policy that bars any collaboration with Communists, anywhere in the world. He even lost in Belgium on that. He was rejected on every ground. There isn't even anything left for face-saving purposes.

INCIDENTALLY, Dubinsky's hopes are also being shattered at the London Trade Union Conference where, despite his calculations, agreement is shaping for a new international of labor. The Histadrut (General Federation of Jewish Labor of Palestine) which Dubinsky always considered his organization because they received ILGWU aid, also joined the move.

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## What National Service Did for British Women

By ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

There was probably no great surprise among British women when President Roosevelt urged, in his message to the 79th Congress that all American citizens be mobilized for national war service. The Commander-in-Chief and the military authorities asked for a service law that would cover men and women of all ages. This is what they have had in Britain for a long time. They are closer to the war physically, have suffered from continued bombings, have less food, shoes, clothing and fuel than we have, and understand better than we do the all-out effort still necessary to win the war. The May-Bailey bill, as now proposed, falls far short of the President's request. It applies only to male selective service registrants against them because of sex. It has from 18 to 45. Its weaknesses and worked that way in Great Britain,



where now, in their fifth year of conscription for service with the war, the government has recently found it necessary to assign women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service to compulsory overseas duties.

The Women's Bureau of the U. S. Department of Labor published an excellent pamphlet, British Policies and Methods in Employing Women in Wartime. (Price 10 cents—U. S. Government Printing Office.) It tells how in 1940, in order to take up the slack in the employment of British women, a change was necessary "from persuasion to compulsion." Only in this way was a successful mobilization of British women power carried out.

Industrial registration began with women of 20 up to 26. By the end of 1943 all women from 18 to 50 were registered. All women up to 60 who at any time had been engaged in nursing were required to register, also all up to 55 who had ever worked as textile operatives. By December, 1941, all single women who had reached the age of 21 and were not yet 31 were also liable to

service.

"The women's services were reported as nearly at full strength by mid-1943." There are arrangements for 700,000 women to do part-time work. There is government supervision of hiring and firing, health and safety. By mid-1943, canteens served over 51,000,000 meals a week. Special shopping arrangements were made. Women are trained for work at government centers. Women workers transferred away from home are provided lodgings and travel warrants for visits home. Child care provided by the government took care of 235,000 children by 1943. The government has concerned itself with restaurants, recreation, laundry, etc. National service is a partnership of British women with their government to help win victory.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest.

To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

# Polish Labor Here Hails Crimea Accord

Polish American trade unionists regard the Crimea agreement on Poland as a guarantee that their native land will live free, independent, sovereign and truly democratic. This opinion was expressed Tuesday by Leo Krzycki, president of the American Polish Labor Council.

"In the name of 600,000 American-Polish trade unionists in the ranks of the CIO and AFL, who are represented in the American Polish Labor Council," Krzycki declared, "I greet the decisions of Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin made at the Crimea conference. These decisions are a beacon light for humanity on the road to victory, peace and security for all free peoples."

"It was most appropriate that these great historical decisions were proclaimed to the world on Feb. 12, the anniversaries of such champions of human freedom as Abraham Lincoln and Thaddeus Kosciuszko. I particularly welcome the decisions with regard to Poland. The proposed Provisional Polish Government of National Unity, which is to embrace the present Warsaw government and democratic leaders from Poland itself and from Poles abroad, means a strong democratic national government for Poland.

"The borders proposed for Poland are logical. Poland must extend its borders north and west, so that the old Polish-Slav lands can be incorporated into new Poland.

"Polish-Soviet friendship, and collaboration with the western democracies, is a link of security and peace for Europe. There can be no place in the national unity of Poland for anti-Soviet, pro-Fascist elements.

"I join with the trade unions and



## EAM Publishes Paper in Athens

A newspaper published by the central committee of the Greek National Liberation Front (EAM) is once more being sold on the streets of Athens, according to dispatches in yesterday's press.

The newspaper is called Eleftheria (Free Greece). Its appearance dramatizes the compromise agreement that has at last been reached between the government and the

Rowdies, however, including some in the uniform of the new National Guard, are reported to have seized copies of the paper from the stands and injured news vendors.

EAM secretary Dimitrius Partsalides, commenting to the press Tuesday on the EAM-Government agreement, said that it would contribute to the pacification of the country because it will enable to economic rehabilitation necessary to Greece in its present plight.

"The EAM will continue to exist after the agreement," he explained, "with the view of securing the people's rights." An additional EAM-statement revealed that the organization had made no demand to participate in the Greek government at this time.

## Mexicans Condemn Californian Opposition to Water Treaty

By EFREN FARRILL  
Special to the Daily Worker

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 14.—Mexican workers' and peasants' organizations are indignant at the continued opposition of California spokesman to the proposed U.S.-Mexican water treaty.

California Senators Hiram W. Johnson and Sheridan Downey have expressed their opposition to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which is holding hearings on the treaty.

### WHAT'S ON

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REVIEW OF THE WEEK. "To the Crimea—and After." Harold Collins will analyze the results of the Roosevelt-Churchill-Stalin conference just completed, and related events, including the President's statement on Bretton Woods. Jefferson School, 575 Sixth Ave., cor. 16th St., Friday, 8:45 p.m. 50c.

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Special to the Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 14.—Draza Mikhalovitch was openly denounced as a traitor by his daughter Gordana at last November's Congress of the Anti-Fascist Youth Federation of Serbia, it was revealed here yesterday by the semi-weekly Slobodna Rec. The news was originally published in the Nov. 23 Belgrade Politika.

Mikhalovitch's daughter joined the Kosmaj partisans early in 1944, and later that year completed her medical studies in Belgrade with high honors. It was in behalf of the students that she addressed the Anti-Fascist Youth Federation of Serbia.

After calling her father a traitor

to his people, Gordana Mikhalovitch declared:

"In the Partisan detachments I found everything I had craved for: a home, a family and the realization of the ideals which are the essence of the life of every honest youth."

Her father's Chetniks did nothing for the Serbians, Gordana said. When they weren't gambling and drinking, they spent their time murdering the families of Partisan fighters.

"Bring to trial all traitors of the Serbian people!" Mikhalovitch's daughter concluded.

"Down with Draza Mikhalovitch!" responded Gordana's comrades.

## Thorez Calls for French Postwar Unity

### CATHOLIC PAPER PRINTS STATEMENT BY COMMUNIST LEADER

Maurice Thorez, general secretary of the French Communist Party, considers unity in France essential for organizing a lasting peace. His views were expressed in a special statement on Feb. 6 to the French Catholic paper, Temps Present, which was summarized by the London radio.

"Unity in France," wrote Thorez, "is not only essential for driving out the Germans—it will also be essential for obtaining victory and organizing lasting peace."

He indicated that no real party activity is possible until the millions of prisoners of war and

deportees return to France. This does not mean, he said, that the Communist Party advocates formation of one single political organization. The Communists want, however, to lay the foundations of a great workers' party, to include the Socialist Party and later the peasants.

Speaking of the armed civilian formations which had taken part in the national popular insurrection, Thorez declared there was one government and one army only in France. Consequently there could be room only for one authority to maintain order in the state.

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## Tells About Big 3 Security Voting Plan

The Big Three have reached a mutually-satisfactory agreement on voting techniques in the Security Council of the projected world organization, according to James B. Reston in yesterday's Times.

The agreement represents a compromise proposed by President Roosevelt. It provides that the Security Council—the Big Five plus six smaller nations—will decide all disputes concerning a great power by a majority vote, except in cases where punitive action is involved.

Where the Security Council would

be called upon to use force, any great power accused by another country would have the right to sit in the judgement upon itself.

Reston, whose scoops on the Dumbarton Oaks plan have been accurate in the past, declared that he could report this compromise with "certainty."

Thus, if a small nation were used as an instrument by some other power to accuse another great power of aggression, the Security Council would vote on economic and political sanctions by a majority vote.

But if the issue came to the use of force, the great powers must either come to unanimous agreement or else the world organization could not function.

For example, suppose a small country under fascist influence accused the United States of aggressive intentions. If a majority of the Security Council agreed, economic and political sanctions could be used against the United States.

But if it were proposed to use force against the United States, our delegate could veto that. Naturally if things ever come to such a pass, the world organization would become useless.

Most commentators are interested in voting techniques on the assumption that the Soviet Union is going to be an aggressor. But looked at from the American viewpoint, it will be seen that this country could not be pilloried by some small nation whose complaint was actually expressing pro-fascist and other forces inimical to us. At least not to the point of getting the use of force against us.

## Report Anti-Hitler Activity in Berlin

An active fighting front against Hitler functions inside Berlin, according to the Free Germany Committee's transmitter at Moscow and reported here by the Federal Communications Commission.

### Says Million German Captives Oppose Hitler

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 14 (UP)—Max Seydewitz, former member of the German Reichstag, at a meeting of the Free Germany Committee of Stockholm today said over 1,000,000 German war prisoners in the Soviet Union had affiliated with the Free Germany Committee in Moscow.

He said that the committee never intended to form a German government.

### Doxey Wilkerson to Speak Tonight

Doxey Wilkerson, executive editor of Peoples' Voice and former Professor of Education at Howard University, will be the principal speaker tonight (Thursday) when the Harriet Tubman Club of the Communist Political Association commemorates the contribution of American Negroes to democracy. The meeting, in St. Jude's Church, 16 W. 99 St., will start at 8:30.

The program will include entertainment and a round-table discussion.

"People's committees," the report revealed, "have been in existence for some time in the city proper and in the suburbs, and there are also factory committees of the National liberation Movement.

"At the beginning of February, representatives of these people's committees and factory committees met at a joint underground conference at which they formed the Berlin People's Committee.

According to the German People's transmitter, its members are comprised of "men and women of the working class, middle class, intellectuals, and members of the armed forces."

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This committee, the broadcast added, has issued an appeal to the people of Berlin, armament workers and farmers to revolt.

"In many places the Volkssturm has voluntarily ceased fighting," the Moscow Free Germany Committee radio said in another broadcast to the German people. "A growing number of German soldiers realize that to continue the fight is hopeless."

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# 'Cissy' Features Nazis' Wails, Threats

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14. — The latest Nazi propaganda can be bought on any Washington news stand these days for five cents.

It isn't that one of the little fly-by-night hate sheets suddenly made the big time.

It is just that Cissy Patterson's Washington Times - Herald, local outlet of the Patterson-McCormick Axis which claims the largest circulation in the capital, has been featuring the latest propaganda

from Berlin on the Yalta conference.

An eight-column scare-head on the front page of the afternoon editions of the Times-Herald yesterday proclaimed:

"Crimea Pact a Crime—Berlin."

The headline was based on statements over the German radio that Big Three had committed the "greatest political crime of all times."

Later editions of the Times-Herald ran a new scare head: "Exile

Poles Reject Big 3 Pact."

The earlier headline on the Nazi radio was relegated to a drop head in large type.

But after playing around with the blast of the London Poles, the Times-Herald again returned to more direct Nazi propaganda in this morning's editions.

"To Fight 'Dirty' Now — Nazis," another eight column scarehead on page one announced.

This was based on a statement by a German Foreign Office spokes-

man that the highly "moral" Nazis had decided that the Big Three decisions freed them from further "moral obligations."

"Say 'Big Three' Doomed All Moral Curbs by Their Decisions," a drop headline directly underneath elaborated.

Hour by hour announcements from the German radio will no doubt be featured in later editions of the Nazi propaganda outlet in the capital of the United States.

## Pepper Lauds Decisions

### At Crimea

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14. — Second-thought comment in the national capital on the Crimea accord continued to be overwhelmingly in favor of the conference decisions.

Senator Claude Pepper, Democrat of Florida, asserted that the agreement constituted "the greatest step toward lasting peace that has ever been taken."

Senator Pepper hailed the achievement in the Crimea conference as bringing about the principle of constant consultation among the three big powers. This "tripod," he suggested, would be made the foundation for world organization.

He foretold that the Dumbarton Oaks plan would be adopted at the San Francisco meeting of the United Nations in April, and expressed the expectation that it would be ratified by the Senate.

In the House, Rep. Jerry Voorhis (Cal) put himself on record in favor of the conference. He particularly pointed to the provisions for democratic self-rule of the liberated countries.

Senator Burton K. Wheeler yesterday echoed the Nazi broadcasts in declaring that Crimea was "a great victory for Stalin and Russia imperialism." He was joined by Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts who thought the setting up of a democratic regime in Poland to be "shocking."

Representative Claire Boothe Luce, of Connecticut, also expressed disappointment, without giving any indication of what she meant by that term.

## First Business Loan to Vet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Veterans Administration announced today that what it believes to be the first loan for the purpose of starting a business has been made to Jack Charles Breeden, Falls Church, Va.

The loan, for \$3,000, was made by the Hamilton National Bank of Washington. Fifty percent of it was guaranteed by the Veterans Administration as provided in the GI Bill.

The Veterans Administration said Breeden was going to use his loan to buy a refrigerator truck. He plans to sell and deliver meat to retail butchers.

## 'Coffee Forum' in Brownsville Tonight

The first of four "coffee forums" sponsored by the Brownsville, East New York Non-Partisan Committee for Civic Rights will be held tonight (Thursday) 8 p.m., at Hoffman's Restaurant, Pitkin and Saratoga Aves.

Mrs. Stephen S. Wise, National President of the Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress, will deliver the main report on "An End to Anti-Semitism."

Other speakers include Miss Miriam Ish-Kishor, president of the Brooklyn Junior Hadassah, and Lester Zivin, of the Brooklyn Council of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order.

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District Attorney O'Dwyer's  
Investigation a Fine Thing

By Nat Low

Brooklyn District Attorney William O'Dwyer's investigation of the recent basketball scandal will lead right to the door of Mr. Ned Irish's office at Madison Square Garden and when it does the official demise of Mr. Irish from the college basketball scene will be at hand.

In his petition, O'Dwyer cited three reasons for the investigation to determine:

1—"What conditions, whether criminal or otherwise injurious to the public welfare, surround the participation of colleges in Kings County in professionally promoted games."

2—"Whether it is dangerous to the welfare of students of such colleges, particularly those supported by public funds, to be subjected to an atmosphere wherein the clean, wholesome safeguards of the campus and faculty advisers are absent and where they are replaced instead by professional exploitation of the exhibition." And because:

3—"The general public, men and women in the armed forces and their relatives, will be interested in knowing how men fit for strenuous athletic activities could have obtained release from the armed forces."

The first two questions are good ones and should result in the separation of collegiate basketball from the professional promoters but the third question, which deals with the fact that three of the Brooklyn College boys involved in the scandal were honorably discharged from the service, is off the beam, we think.

Tens of thousands of men in the country have been discharged from the service for physical reasons and many of them have been athletes.

Playing a tough game which lasts an hour is one thing. Fighting in a war in which sometimes days and weeks and even months of strain and pressure tax the body to the utmost is another. District Attorney O'Dwyer, who has just come out of the Army himself, surely knows what is required of a man in the fighting lines.

To our mind his investigation would serve a wonderful purpose if it concentrated on the first two questions and left the third one to the Army. The Army sets its own physical standards and when it rejects a man it does so with good enough reason whether the man is an athlete, a ship fitter or anything else.

That was quite a story Joe Val, sports editor of the World-Telegram, gave a lead play to in yesterday's paper. The story, supplemented by hundreds of statistics purporting to tell where all the money goes to in the NCCA tourney.

Of course, much as you would expect, the article is an en toto defense of Mr. Ned Irish, that dear defender of all that is good and clean and wholesome in sports. But Mr. Val, in his desire to paint a lovely picture, forgot one little item.

And that is this:

The NCAA simply runs its own shows, arranging, scheduling and organizing the entire business from beginning to end and rents the Garden for the games. That is why, Mr. Ned Irish makes so little profit from the NCAA and that is exactly what we have been urging ever since the scandal broke.

Thus, all of Mr. Val's vast work compiling the figures which were printed in yesterday's paper, only proves that the colleges can run their own games and profit from them too.

But what we'd like to know is why Mr. Val didn't print the figures of the games run by Mr. Irish?

## Basketball Too Rough—Coaches

CHICAGO, Feb. 14 (UP).—Officials should enforce the "hands off" rules now in the book and stamp out the rough-house tactics which are beginning to dominate basketball, Big Ten coaches said today.

Basketball still is basically a non-contact sport and officials should end the rapidly growing tendency to make it a contact game by crowding, rough playing and chopping, they said, explaining that it is not a case of drawing up new rules but merely enforcing the writing in the rule book.

"I believe there is too much judgment being used and not enough whistle," Harold (Bud) Foster, University of Wisconsin coach, said.

Head coach Benny Oosterbaan of Michigan and his assistant, Bill Barclay, agreed that basketball at present is too rough since the "officials are unwilling to slow the game with a parade to the foul line."

"The boys adapt themselves to the officiating," Barclay said. "If the referee shows he means to call the fouls, the boys will stop fouling."

## Virginia AFL Unions Ask Unity With CIO

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 14.—Pressure is mounting in AFL ranks for cooperation with CIO, Railroad Brotherhood and bona fide independent unions on legislative and political matters.

Resolutions have been adopted here by the Norfolk Central Labor Union, International Association of

Although there have been similar instances in the past of coaches asking for better officiating, this marks one of the rare times that all of them have agreed on one point: that basketball is too bruising and that it is up to the officials to concoct the cure.

The statements came on the heels of last week's comment by Doc Carlson, Pittsburgh coach, who said that the time has come to decide whether the game is a contact or non-contact sport.

Indiana mentor Harry C. Good suggested a disqualification foul for anything more than body contact, however, while Barclay and Pop Harrison of Iowa asked for a return to the four-foul rule. The fifth foul is causing much of the bruising play, they claimed.

To give the little guy a break in competition with the big man, Piggy Lambert of Purdue, Good and Barclay suggested that 12-foot baskets be tried, an idea originally voiced by Phog Allen of Kansas.

The rest of the coaches, however, were content with the present anti-goal tending restriction as enough curb on the big fellows.

Machinists Local 10 (Richmond) and International Association of Machinists Local 11 (Norfolk).

IAM Local 11 decided to press AFL president Green and the AFL executive council to "make all efforts" for united actions with CIO on specific economic and legislative

matters.

## Rangers Must Win Tonite to Stay in Race

The Boston Bruins' 3 to 2 victory over the Chicago Black Hawks Tuesday night saved the Rangers from a drop into the hockey cellar but put them a full six points to the rear of the fourth place Bruins and a playoff spot.

Thus, the decision was six of one kind and half a dozen of another as far as the Blueshirts were concerned.

However, the Rangers have a chance to take destiny in their own hands this evening at the Garden when they face the much improved Hawks who are only one point behind Our Heroes. (This is not including the game the Rangers played last night against the Red Wings in Detroit.) A Chicago victory would drop the Rangers into the cellar.

Battered by the loss of goalie Ken McAuley and by another injury to the already gauze and plastered Phil Watson the Rangers are at their lowest physical edge just when they need to be at the peak.

There are only fourteen games left on the schedule for Lester Patrick's men and if they are to start their playoff drive they must start it now. In fact, even if they do begin to win some games they will have a tough time of it for both the Bruins and the Hawks are playing their best hockey of the season.

The Hawks have perked up ever since the trade that sent Earl Seibert to Detroit in exchange for Cully Simon, Don Grosso and Butch McDonald. It will be a hot game tonight—all Ranger-Hawk games are—and the loser will probably be out of the running for a playoff berth.

## Hockey Standings

(Including last night's games)

Team	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Montreal	31	5	3	65
Detroit	23	11	4	50
Toronto	10	17	2	40
Boston	13	23	2	28
Rangers	7	21	8	22
Chicago	8	24	5	21

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00 WEAF—Road of Life	WOR—News; Talks; Music
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman	WABC—Amanda—Sketch
WQXR—Alma Dettinger, News	WJZ—Rosemary—Sketch
11:15 WEAF—Talk	WABC—Second Husband
11:30 WEAF—Star Playhouse	WOR—Take It Easy Time
WJZ—News; Music	WABC—Bright Horizon
WQXR—Concert Music	WNYC—830 Ke.
11:45 WEAF—David Harum	WABC—880 Ke.
WOR—Tobe's Topics	WBRY—1460 Ke.
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories	WINS—1000 Ke.

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00 WEAF—News Reports	WOR—News; Music
WJZ—Glamour Manor	WABC—Recorded Music
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat	WJZ—Variety Musicals
12:15 WEAF—Talk—Maggie McNellis	4:25 WABC—News Reports
WABC—Big Sister	4:30 WEAF—Lorenzo Jones
12:30 WEAF—Sky High Orchestra	WOR—Food and Home Forum
WOR—News; The Answer Man	WJZ—Report From Paris
WJZ—News; Farm-Home Makers	WABC—Feature Story
WABC—Helen Trent	4:45 WEAF—Young Widder Brown
12:45 WABC—Our Gal Sunday	WJZ—Harrigan
1:00 WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride	WABC—Recorded Music
WOR—Jack Bundy's Album	5:00 WEAF—When a Girl Marries
WJZ—H. R. Baulkhead, News	WOR—Uncle Don
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful	WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
1:15 WEAF—Loper Orchestra	WABC—Weapons for Victory
WJZ—Woman's Exchange Show	5:15 WEAF—Portia Faces Life
WABC—Ma Perkins	WOR—Superman
1:30 WEAF—Phil Brite, Songs	WJZ—Dick Tracy
WABC—Bernardine Flynn, News	5:30 WEAF—Just Plain Bill
1:45 WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News	WOR—House of Mystery
WOR—American Woman's Jury	WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WJZ—Galen Drake	WABC—Terry Allen, Songs
2:00 WEAF—Two on a Clue	5:45 WEAF—Front Page Farrell
2:30 WEAF—Women in White	WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix
WOR—News; Never Too Old	WABC—Captain Midnight
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated	WQXR—Wilderness Road
WABC—Perry Mason	WQXR—Man About Town
2:45 WEAF—Hymns of All Churches	6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.
WABC—Tena and Tim	6:00 WEAF—News Reports
3:00 WEAF—A Woman of America	WOR—Sydney Moseley, News
WOR—Martha Deane Program	WJZ—Kiernan's News Corner
WJZ—Correspondents Abroad	6:15 WEAF—Concert Music
WABC—Mary Martin	WOR—Voice of Broadway
3:15 WEAF—Ma Perkins	WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WJZ—Appointment With Life	WABC—Pan American Music
WABC—The High Places	6:30 WQXR—News; Dinner Music
WMC—Richard Eaton—Talk	WJZ—News; Whose War—Talk
3:30 WEAF—Pepper Young	6:40 WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
WOR—Rambling With Gambling	6:45 WEAF—Lowell Thomas
WABC—Sing Along Club	WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WNYC—Treasury Star Parade	WJZ—Peggy Mann, Songs
3:45 WEAF—Right to Happiness	WABC—The World Today, News
WJZ—Studio Music	WMCA—Recorded Music
4:00 WEAF—Backstage Wife	6:55 WABC—Joseph C. Harsch, News
WOR—News; Jay Johnson, Songs	7:00 WEAF—Supper Club, Variety
WJZ—Westbrook Van Voorhis, News	WOR—Fulton Lewis Jr., News

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

WABC—The Goldbergs	WJZ—Correspondents Abroad
2:00 WEAF—The Guiding Light	WABC—Ne Calmer, News
WOR—Cecil Foster, News	6:15 WEAF—Concert Music
WJZ—John B. Kennedy, News	WOR—Voice of Broadway
WABC—Joyce Jordan, M.D.	WJZ—Ethel and Albert
2:15 WEAF—Today's Children	WABC—Pan American Music
WOR—Talk—Jane Cowl	6:30 WQXR—News; Dinner Music
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WABC—The High Places	7:15 WEAF—News—John W. Vandercook
WMC—Richard Eaton—Talk	WOR—Victory Is Our Business
3:30 WEAF—Pepper Young	WJZ—Raymond Gram Swings
WOR—Rambling With Gambling	WABC—Variety Musicals
WABC—Sing Along Club	WMCA—Five Star Final
WNYC—Treasury Star Parade	WQXR—Encore Music
3:45 WEAF—Right to Happiness	7:30 WEAF—Bob Burns, Comedy
WJZ—Studio Music	WOR—Arthur Hale, News
4:00 WEAF—Backstage Wife	WJZ—Play—Charlie Chan
WOR—News; Jay Johnson, Songs	
WJZ—Westbrook Van Voorhis, News	

## Army Rips Indians

Special to the Daily Worker

WEST POINT, Feb. 14.—Army's great basketball team won its 27th game in succession this afternoon in the packed-to-the-raffraff West Point field house by beating St. John's 58 to 39.

It was the eleventh straight victory for the driving Cadets this season.

The Indians, defending cham-

pions of the National Invitation, who had lost only one game of 14 this season, suffered their worst loss in more than five years and were lucky to escape with their lives as the football-playing Cadets drove through and over them for their victory.

It was the second successive victory of the Cadets over St. John's. Army beat the Indians last year, too.

## From the Press Box

## 3 Celtics on All-Time Pro Basketball Team

By PHIL

**Film Front****Upton Sinclair's Movie Experiences****By David Platt**

I see that Paul Wellman, author of *Jubal Troop*, has been signed by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer to write the screen play of *Red Gold*, an Upton Sinclair story of the Arizona copper mines of the 1900s. I don't know anything about *Red Gold*, but if Wellman's movie does nothing but follow Sinclair's original it will make screen history. It will be the first time in 30 years that the public will have an accurate movie of an Upton Sinclair story.

The author of *Red Gold* once told this writer that of all the many stories he has sold to Hollywood, only one, *The Jungle*, in 1914, came out well. "It was sincerely done according to the standards of those days," said Sinclair. "It was a success where it was shown, but the firm went into bankruptcy and I got nothing out of it. It was banned from Chicago."

Since then, the movie companies have done queer things to Sinclair's originals. After *The Jungle*, a studio in Ft. Lee, N. J., paid him \$500 for a play called *The Adventurer*. It was a social theme about a wealthy young good-for-nothing who made a wager that he could make a living as a tramp. When the picture was produced with Sinclair's name in bold letters as the author, it proved to be a sugary story about a lost will.

Following that sad experience, Ben Hampton, author of a history of motion pictures offered to make really adequate productions of Sinclair's aggressive novels. He signed a contract with Sinclair to do all of them and began with *The Moneychangers*, which tells how J. P. Morgan caused the panic of 1907. When Sinclair saw the film he couldn't believe his eyes. What was once an important indictment of money-grabbing had become a sordid tale of "dope traffic in Chinatown." The only character in the original that Hampton kept was the heroine, a settlement worker. It provided a convenient way for a rich man's daughter to be in the slums.

Years later, Sinclair defended Prohibition in *The Wet Parade*. MGM gave it a very fine production, said Sinclair, "but, of course, they made it 50-50 on the pros and antis of the subject." When Hoover was President MGM employed him to write a story which was to be a sort of American Cavalcade. Sinclair consulted with Irving Thalberg about once or twice a week. Thalberg's idea for the title was *The Star Spangled Banner*. Sinclair insisted on *The Gold Spangled Banner*. "This difference," said Sinclair, "sums up pretty accurately our respective attitudes." They paid him for the work but never used the material. The author of *The Brass Check* was featured in a number of MGM films in 1934 but had nothing to do with their production. Those were the short subjects which MGM showed all over California ridiculing the EPIC campaign. You can read all about it in Sinclair's *I, Candidate for Governor: And How I Got Licked*.

Well, times have changed since Sinclair was red-baiting for his progressive political activities. Today, the chances favor an honest adaptation of a Sinclair story. MGM has the opportunity to make a little history in 1945. All they have to do is stick to the red and the gold in *Red Gold*.

**GOOD RUMOR DEPT.**

One of the movie columnists reports that as a result of the success of *Othello* on the coast, Paramount is thinking of making it into a movie with the original cast topped by Paul Robeson and Jose Ferrer. When and if it's confirmed I'll join you in a round of hand springs.... Billy Rowe of the Pittsburgh Courier writes in his column that Mrs. Frances Biddle, wife of the Attorney General has completed a play about Sojourner Truth in which she hopes to interest Ethel Waters in the title role....

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Music of Paul Schwartz, Chamber Concerto for Two Pianos (Kat Wolff and Paul Schwartz), 5:30-5:45 p.m.

Songs of the People Sing, American Folksong of Irish Origin—Joe Conlin. Arranged by Elaine Lambert Lewis, 6:00-6:25 p.m.

America's Neighbors: Ecuador, Ecuadorian Trio, 6:30-6:45 p.m.

Music of Bernard Wagenaar, 8:15-8:45 p.m.

American Society of Authors, Composers and Publishers (ASCAP). Charles Tobias, Peter DeRose, Ray Henderson, Hermann Hupfeld, William Handy, Alex Kramer and Joan Whitney, Nat Simon, Harry Armstrong, Lucky Roberts, Doris Fischer, 9:30-10 p.m.

FOOTLIGHTS ON PARADE—Kenneth Spencer, Footlight favorites (Adelaide Abbot, Leonore Rae, Edward Kane, John Brownless).

People's Symphony Concert Saturday

Erno Balogh, pianist, will appear on the People's Symphony Concerts Artists Series at the Washington Irving High School this Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock in a program of Bach, Liszt, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, Villa-Lobos, Juan B. Plaza, O. Lorenzo Fernandez, Fructuoso Vianna, Barrozo Netto and Francisco Mignone.



Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., City Councilman, officially opens the Negro history exhibit at the Ben Davis Club, 2315 Seventh Ave. The wall behind him shows chronological arrangement of pictures, newspaper clippings and excerpts from books and documents. The exhibit will be continued through March 2.

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**Negro History Week At Ben Davis Club****BY EUGENE GORDON**

The Negro History Week exhibit at the Ben Davis Club, 2315 Seventh Ave., is scientifically arranged, beautifully mounted and the most attractive I have seen in a half dozen years.

There have been other Negro History Week exhibits which were pictorially attractive. But the scientific selection of material in this one and its arrangement historically and according to subject matter make it by all odds the best to date, as far as New York is concerned. The exhibit was arranged by Tessie Abramowitz, the club's press director; Bobbie Withers, educational director; Vivian Hunter, vice-president, and other members.

Once inside the door the visitor sees immediately a display of Daily Worker and The Worker clippings above a head reading *A Special Kind of Newspaper*. This paper's role as a campaigner for the people's rights is illustrated with clippings on famous cases, including that of Mrs. Recy Taylor, young Negro wife and mother, on whose behalf there has developed a nationwide movement for Negro rights.

A table beneath this exhibit holds two Daily Worker scrapbooks, one general and the other political, and books and pamphlets on the Negro question and on the CPA's part in solving it.

From there on, the walls right around the room are filled with board panels on which are mounted pictures and clippings relating to the Negro's part in American history. What gives the exhibit the

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## Late Bulletins

### Kuomintang-Communist Talks Break Down, Chungking Reports

Breakdown of the two-week long negotiations between the Chungking Government and the Chinese Communists was reported from Chungking yesterday by United Press. Discussions were halted following the Kuomintang (government party) rejection of the Communist proposal that all political parties meet immediately to consider settlement of China's pressing internal problem.

The Communist delegation, headed by Gen. Chou En-lai, charged that the Kuomintang refused to grant other groups any real power or voice in the government.

Chief Communist demand, United Press reported, is a curtailment of the personal power of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in favor of an organization similar to the U.S. Congress which would be the nation's highest authority.

The government spokesman, In-

formation Minister Wang Shih-Chieh, claimed that the government had offered a number of "concessions" which the Communists rejected.

These "concessions" included creation of a joint Kuomintang committee presided over by a "neutral" observer to consider a reorganization of the Communist Army and the apportionment of military supplies to the guerrilla armies of North China which have been blockaded for four years. The Kuomintang reportedly also offered to make the Communist Party legal and include its representatives on the National Military Council and Executive Yuan.

A final government proposal to convolve a conference of party and non-party leaders to discuss interim measures for political and military unification was being relayed to the guerilla capital.

### Yanks Advance 11 Miles Into Bataan; Seize Abucay

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Thursday, Feb. 15 (UP).—U.S. 8th Army troops have advanced 11 miles into Bataan, seizing Abucay, which was the eastern anchor of the first American defense line across the bloody peninsula in the dark days of January, 1942. Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

In Manila, where street fighting entered the 13th day, troops of three American divisions pressing the trapped Japanese garrison against the bay along a four-mile front "are

gradually compressing the circle," his daily communiqué announced. Military observers said organized Japanese resistance possibly would be ended within a few days, leaving only snipers to be mopped up.

The drive into Bataan, where MacArthur's gallant Filipino and American troops went down to defeat on April 9, 1942, after holding a powerful Japanese force for more than three months, was made by troops of the 38th and 24th Divisions of Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger's army.

MIAMI, Feb. 14.—AFL President William Green conceded here today that the executive council had "encountered some difficulty" in connection with the projected affiliation of John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers.

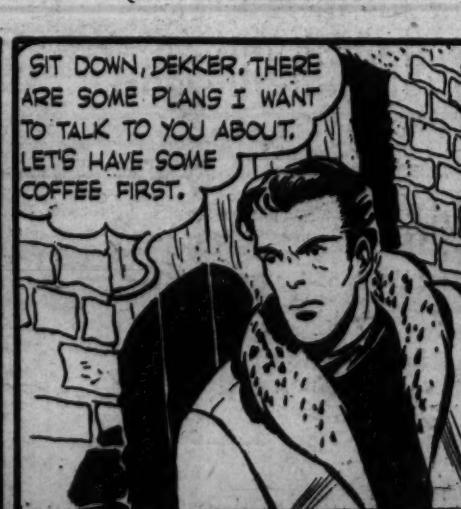
Lewis is reported seeking assurance of representation directly on the council. Word here has it that Green has replied that the council would be willing to provide such a seat when a vacancy occurs. Dan J. Tobin, president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, who has opposed Lewis' return, is a member of the council and reports current here say Lewis insists on a guarantee of executive office now before he returns lest Tobin be powerful enough to keep him off the council later.

**Sink 31 More Japanese Ships**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (UP).—American submarines have sunk 31 more Japanese ships to push their toll of enemy vessels to 1,020. Three combat ships were in the latest haul—a converted light cruiser, a converted gunboat and an escort vessel.

**South Students Bar Censored Paper**

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Feb. 14.—Marilyn Kaemmerle was ousted today as editor of the William and Mary College newspaper because of her editorial urging Negro-white equality on the campus. The student body, in protest against restrictions of freedom of the press, thereupon voted against publication of the paper at all under faculty supervision.



# Daily Worker

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Valentine Day gift packages were prepared by these girl members of Local 1, United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, for wounded and ill veterans at the Brooklyn Naval Hospital.

Left to right are Myra Ansell, Florence Levin, Lillian Rosenblum and Edith Powers.

UOPWA members have organized a USA Club (Uncle Sam's Aides) in their offices, and plan to get blood donations and conduct other projects related to the war. They have volunteered to do clerical work in veterans' hospitals on Saturdays. A special group of USA "Secretaries for Servicemen" offers to take dictation free from men in the Army and Navy.

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### The Veteran Commander

#### CAVITE AND BUDAPEST

THE momentous declaration of the Crimean Conference was punctuated by two victories of great importance.

American troops cleared Nichols and Neilson airfields near Manila and captured the Cavite Naval Base. Thus only Corregidor stands in the way of our using Manila Bay for action against Formosa, Hainan and the China coast between these two enemy bastions.

It is interesting to note that our thrust into Luzon further isolates a quarter of a million Japanese troops which are reported cooped up at Truk (50,000), Ponape (10,000), Yap (10,000) and other Caroline islands, in the Marshall Islands (12,000-14,000), in the Ocean and Nauru Islands (4,000), on Marcus and Wake (10,000), in the Marianas (5,000), in the Solomons and in New Guinea, including Rabaul, Kavieng, Buka, etc., (100,000-120,000) and in the Palau Group (30,000).

With all due allowance for a somewhat mechanistic comparison between land and naval strategy, this situation is somewhat reminiscent of the situation on the Eastern Front, where between a quarter and half a million Germans are cooped up and isolated in Latvia, Konigsberg, in the Braunsberg-Zinten pocket in East Prussia, and in the fortresses of Schneidemuhl, Arnswalde, Graudenz, Posen and Glogau (to be joined soon by those in Breslau).

THE second great victory which greeted the Yalta Manifesto is the capture of Budapest

after a siege of seven weeks. The Germans lie when they say that their troops "broke out." If they had broken out, wouldn't their commander be with them? Instead, he was captured in a sewer-pipe. The Germans lost 110,000 prisoners and 50,000 killed in the siege of Budapest. The booty captured was tremendous (just one example—the Red Army took close to 10,000 loaded railroad cars, 194 locomotives, 270 tanks, 1,250 guns, etc.). In addition the Germans lost about 20,000 men killed and 800 tanks in futile attempts to relieve the garrison from the west. The way is now open for a resumption of a Soviet offensive in the direction of Bratislava, Gratz and perhaps Zagreb.

Marshals Zhukov and Rokossovsky are advancing toward the Baltic and are within gunshot of the Stargard-Konitz-Dirschau railroad and highway which links Stettin and Danzig.

Marshal Konev has reached (and probably crossed) the Queis River. He has encircled the fortress of Glogau on the Oder and is about to encircle Sagan. Soviet vanguards are already in the foothills of the Riesengebirge, which forms the northern border of Czechoslovakia.

We never tire of repeating the same thing: Please watch Stettin, and especially Dresden and Bratislava, and forget about Berlin for the time being.

Also watch the forming of the pincers which should pinch off the great Bohemian-Moravian kettle.

IN THE west, the Germans have thrown some reserves against the Canadians and British in the Cleve sector, but so far have failed to stem the advance, which is very close to the Rhine.

The American Third Army is forging a pocket on the Prum River, between Echternach and Prum.

However, as long as the British Second Army and the American Ninth Army are not engaged in large scale operations, it cannot be said that the general offensive in the west has started.